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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) | | Docket N | Docket N . (Opti nal) PMCBIO 3.0-006 | |
| OT 0 2 2003 | In re Application of Alan F. Rozich | | | |
| | Application | Number | Filed | |
| | 09/691,816 | | | October 19, 2000 |
| | For: WASTE TREATMENT PROCESS | | | |
| PADENAS | Art Unit | 1724 | Examiner | C. Barry |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a repty in the above identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): | | | | |
| One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | | | _ | \$ |
| X Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | | | _ | \$ 410.00 |
| Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | | | _ | \$ |
| Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | | | | \$ |
| Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | | | _ | \$ |
| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is | | | | |
| reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ | | | | |
| A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. | | | | |
| Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. | | | | |
| The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. | | | | |
| The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any | | | | |
| overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 12-1095 . | | | | |
| I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. | | | | |
| I am the applicant/inventor. | | | | |
| assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). | | | | |
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REQUEST FOR REFUND

Dear Sir:

This request for refund is made within three months of the date the fee for a twomonth extension of time in the amount of \$410.00 was paid in this application. An assertion as to entitlement to small entity status is enclosed herewith. It is therefore respectfully requested that one-half of the filing fee be refunded by crediting our Deposit Account No. 12-1095 in the amount of (\$205.00)

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this matter, he or she is requested to call applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000.

Dated: October 7, 2003

Respectfully submitted,

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ASSERTION AS TO ENTITLEMENT TO SMALL ENTITY STATUS

Dear Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorneys, hereby claim status as a small entity for purposes of paying reduced fees.

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